

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1911.

To the Senate:

Senate bill No. 199, the same being "An Act to provide for the establishment, maintenance and government of a State Normal to be located in the city of Waco, in McLennan county, Texas, and to be known and designated as the Central Texas Normal School, and declaring an emergency," is herewith returned without approval.

The State has just recently completed a new Normal School at Canyon City, in Randall county. There is one at Huntsville, in Walker county, one at Denton, in Denton county, and another at San Marcos, in Hays county, making four now in operation in the State. The total appropriation provided by the last Legislature for the support of these schools for two years amounted to over four hundred thousand dollars, and the number of those in attendance was twenty-one hundred. The State, therefore, can graduate seven hundred teachers every year, and there does not seem to be any need for another such Normal School.

The bill carries an appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars to improve and equip building, and the emergency clause attached makes the appropriation immediately available. I cannot overlook the fact that appropriations already made, not subject to my scrutiny, exceed the probable revenue to pay them with. The Legislature has made no provision for raising revenue to meet these deficiencies or to pay the expenditures called for in this bill.

For these reasons, I feel it my duty to return the bill to you without my approval.

Respectfully submitted,
O. B. COLQUITT,
Governor of Texas.